

FISCAL NOTE

SB 789 - HB 1502

March 2, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Increases the maximum prior service credit for practice of law used to determine entry level compensation for assistant district attorneys general from seven to twelve years.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$37,200 Recurring

Assumptions:

- Approximately 40% of the assistant district attorneys general who are hired do not have prior state experience and 40% (16) of those hired are at a lower level of compensation than they would have received if the maximum service credit is increased from seven to 12 years. Estimate assumes the average prior years of service for persons in the seven to 12 year category would be ten and that four persons each year would receive additional compensation.
- Average increase in salary would be \$7,872 per attorney per year (an increase from \$60,012 for level 7 to \$67,884 for level 10). Increase would apply to four attorneys per year with benefits for these existing positions at 18.19% of the salary increase. The total recurring annual increase in salary and benefits is \$37,216 ($\$7,872 \times 1.1819 \times 4 = \$37,215.66$).
- Funds that are not spent on higher salaries under current law due to seven-year prior service limitation would revert to the Treasury at the end of the fiscal year.
- Increase is not retroactive.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director